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ALMA

A line of graceful cloister now provides shelter between the main building and the Theologians' building. The cloister skirts the edge of the library and then pierces the rose garden to join the original Theologians' building. A glass door provides entry into the library from the cloister.

The community enjoyed a pleasant day on the picnic at Leonard's in September.

Very Rev. Fr. Provincial closed the visitation on October 9.

The Theologians picked grapes at Villa Maria on Thursday, October 21.

Under the direction of Mr. Jahn, a new volley ball court is being erected alongside the gymnasium. The old court infringed on the indoor field.

On October 7, Dr. Lynn White and Mr. Albert Lynd of Stanford University History Department visited our library to examine the Medieval History section.

LOYOLA UNIVERSITY

Father Rector attended the ceremony in which Archbishop Cantwell conferred medals of the Vatican Academy of Science on Dr. Morgan and Dr. Millikan of the California Institute of Technology.

Father Connolly gave the University retreat. Over 350 students received Holy Communion at the close.

Father Vaughan gave a laywomen's retreat at Lone Pine, organized by the pastor of the High Sierras, Msgr. Crowley.

Each week a member of the Faculty speaks on some non-religious topic over station KHJ.

Each Saturday evening, 7-7:15, Father Vaughan speaks over KEHE.

Brother Pereira has made the driveway in front of the faculty building two feet wider.

Father Connolly was laid up in the Queen of Angels Hospital for a while.

On November 29, under the auspices of Loyola Library, at the Ebell Club, Arnold Lunn, noted English critic and convert, will lecture on his experiences in Spain during the Civil War.

Father Spearman has been appointed Chairman of the Department of Religion at Loyola University, assisted by Fathers Madigan, Ferguson, Maginnis and Lynch.

Miss Regina Martz presented the University with valuable oak furniture and five large oil paintings. Miss Kathleen C. Kehoe gave her brother's mining library.

The Priests' school of Social Action has arranged to continue its meetings throughout the year at Loyola High.

Father Rector presided at one of the sessions of the regional conference of the Association of American Colleges, at Occidental College in October.

Total registration at Loyola University including Law and Night College is 630.

LOYOLA HIGH

On Columbus Day Father Leahy spoke over the radio for the K. of C.

Associate Editors of "America," "Queen's Work" and "Catholic Worker" addressed the high school Sodality. This year the Sodality is selling each month 400copies of "Queen's Work," 1100 of "America," 200 of "Jesuit Missions," 200 of "Catholic Worker," and several hundred pamphlets.

The Archdiocesan Confraternity of Christian Doctrine held its annual meeting at Loyola. In his address the Archbishop praised the Sodalists of Loyola. The Director of the Confraternity sent a special letter of congratulation for

the splendid co-operation of the Sodality.

Father Whelan preached the sermon at Father Gleeson's Jubilee in San Francisco. He also gave the Forty Hours at Our Lady of Loretto.

Father Hanlon took his "Ad Grad." examination at Alma on November 25. During the preparation, Father Henry was Prefect of Discipline.

Religious pictures have been placed in the Gym and Locker Rooms, to remind the athletes of purity and virtue. Each of the four football teams goes to Communion once a week on the day of its game.

During the Open Forum sessions on Religion at U. S. C., Father Falvey explained doctrines of the Catholic Church. There was no heckling on the part of the large audience.

The school band played by invitation at the annual devotions of the Priests' Eucharistic League.

At noontime during October the whole school recited the rosary at the Shrine. At the end of the month a rosary pageant was staged by the Sodality and the R. O. T. C. in the stadium.

A stamp drive for the China Mission is being staged by the Mission Committees of the Sodality.

Father Gerald Flynn went by invitation to Salt Lake for the consecration of Bishop Hunt.

Father Henry gave a laymen's retreat at Glacier Lodge, located at an altitude of 8000 feet in the High Sierras. Msgr. Crowley gathered these ten professional men from the little mountain towns round about.

Speical Minor Orders: Mr. John Healy received Minor Orders from Archbishop Cantwell at the Old Mission, Santa Barbara. The Tonsure was given on Saturday, and the four Minor Orders on the following morning. The Franciscans claim that Mr. Healy is the first Jesuit to receive any Orders there since the Mission was built over 150 years ago.

LOS GATOS

At the close of the visitation Father Provincial gave a general recreation on Shanghai.

Father Donnelly described his visit to Molokai this summer.

Father Lyons of "Queen's Work" gave an instructive talk on the Sodality, emphasizing the work of the Summer Schools of Catholic Action.

First year novices have increased to 22 by the latest arrivals, Adalberto Zabala (Sept. 14) from U. S. F., and William Reilly (Sept. 25) from Loyola High.

The Long Retreat began October 25 p. m. and ends November 25 a. m.

A Carrara marble statue of St. Stanislaus, gift of the Jesuit Mothers, was recently placed in the shrine at the spring below St. Joseph's Lake.

DELLA STRADA ROAD

The years have brought about many changes in Della Strada Road. In 1900 it did not exist even as a path. At that time three Juniors, (Fathers Laherty, Deignan and Gilbert), planted the tall firs which mark the entrance to the road. No Sunday visitors thronged the spot in those days; and so private was this part o fthe grounds, that a path descended at the side of the trees and led to the Novitiate "dump" for old papers, tin cans and broken table ware, all in full sight from the fir trees.

About 1905, Father Thornton, Master of Novices, started the recreation place under the Novices' oak tree, which necessited a path from the house to the tree. This was the beginning of the road.

Then Brother Louis Olivier surveyed a path all the way into the Los Gatos Canyon, and out to the present Della Strada Shrine. In 1906 it was a very narrow footpath. He planted the tall gum trees at the first deep indentation of the road, where the constant flow of a spring threatened to slide the path down the steep hill.

The Tertians of 1920 (?) put in the "Tertians' Path" which a little further on drops from the Della Strada Road to the old county road beneath. It is the sort of a short cut which a Tertian, when out for a walk, likes to take.

Father Lyons built and had Miss Marie Devlin paint the picture in the Della Strada Shrine which gives the road its name.

About 1927 Father Kenney as Minister added the white gate and posts which adorn the far end of the road.

Mr. Jahn planted many evergreen trees along the road. Four of them have survived the hot sun and are doing well. Mr. Weller built the ornamental drinking fonts at either end of the road. Mr. Kulwiecz in 1932 constructed the heavy stone retaining wall to keep the road from falling down at the deep bend by the gum trees.

About 1928, when V. R. Fr. Seeliger was Socius to the Master of Novices,

he had the Postulants' Recreation Place at Della Strada Shrine cleared of undergrowth and made into an attractive recreation spot. Paths were constructed and benches placed here and there. In 1935, while still Master of Novices, he added the crowning ornament to Della Strada Road, the beautiful replica of the Shrine at Lourdes with all its shrubbery and lovely lighting.

Father William Dunne, while Rector, built the retaining wall below the Lourdes Shrine and beautified and paved the wide area of the Della Strada Road fro mthe house to the grotto.

Many hands and many minds have made the road what it is today.

SAN FRANCISCO

Father Gleeson had a grand celebration in St. Ignatius on October 10. It was a Solemn High coram Pontifice. In the sanctuary besides a goodly number of Ours there were very many other priests of whom 5 were Monsignori, making a total of 116 Fathers. Every parish in San Francisco was represented. Father Edw. Whelan gave the sermon which dealt with the Jubilarian and with the idea of the Religious Vocation.

Father Menager's nephew was ordained in Shanghai on June 3 of this year. Father Audic was born in Spokane of Dr. Audic who became physician at Gonzaga when Dr. Menager died.

Father Menager went south for his retreat. On the return trip he did what he could for four men, victims of a railroad accident. Three were killed at once by the train, the fourth died shortly after.

CITY OF ST. FRANCIS

Who should be the patron of San Francisco? One of the last letters received from Father Colligan dealt with the supply work at St. Francis Church, San Francisco. After finishing the business Father Colligan added the following P. S.:

"This little fact may be interesting. The first St. Francis Church on Vallejo Street was named in honor of St. Frnacis Xavier.

"Proofs.

1—The name of St. Francis Xavier is on the outside of the first baptismal register. I saw a photo of the book with that name on it.

2—Father Langlois calls Yerba Buena, the new city at North Beach, the City of St. Francis Xavier. (See "San Francisco" in the Catholic Encyclopedia).

3—When the North Beach Church was dedicated, there was already since 1776, a church in honor of St. Francis Assisi. The full name of that church was the Mission Church of Our Seraphic Father, St. Francis Assisi on the Laguna de Nuestra Senora de los Dolores."

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SANTA CLARA

The engineering department (civil, mechanical and electrical) of Santa Clara has been accredited by the Committee on Engineering Schools of the Engineers' Council for Professional Development. Its first list of accredited schools, released on Oct. 15, to the trade journals and other publications interested in engineering, includes Santa Clara.

Varsi Library is now a closed-stack library. The work of cataloguing, which is going on steadily, is bringing to light many little-known resources of the library.

Formerly, Santa Clara sodalists made their monthly Communion at a Mass attended by the student body. This year, in a spirit of sacrifice, a day when Mass was not of obligation was chosen for the monthly Communion. Sodality leaders were pleased at the response.

From the beginning of the school year to the middle of October, of 5198 Holy Communions distributed, 4498 were to the students.

This year much stress is being placed on intramural sports. A full, well balanced program is offered students who do not participate in major sports. Awards are part of the program.

The Clay M. Greene Players offer "Yellow Jacket" as their fall play. It is based on the noble work of Dr. Walter Reed in combating yellow fever.

During October Father Bacigalupi gave five series of lectures on Verdi's "La Traviata" and Wagne's "Tristam and Isolde." Recordings from these operas illustrated the lectures.

Owing to the illness of Father Ivancovich, Father C. Deeney has been conducting a Religious Inquiry Class each week at the San Jose Catholic Women's Center.

In October, Father James J. Sweeney, diocesan director for the Propagation of the Faith, addressed the students on the Missions.

ST. MARY'S

Recently the following data about St. Mary's, San Jose, was found in the diary of Father Minister at St. Joseph's.

Dec. 14, 1890. Father Muller preached in German as usual at 9 o'clock Mass on the second Sunday of the month (in St. Joseph's).

May 21, 1891. Father Muller went to San Francisco to see Archbishop Riordan relative to building a German Church in San Jose.

July 19, 1891. At 2 p. m., the laying of the corner stone of the German Church on Third Street. Archbishop Riordan was present. A brass band was employed. Gentlemen's Sodality and other organizations were present. Owing to extreme heat, Father Rector (Calzia) deemed it better not to preach his sermon.

March 20, 1892. Blsesing of the German Church by Archbishop Riordan. The Superior of the Franciscans preached.

October 17, 1892. New bell for St. Mary's Church was put up.

Nov. 6, 1892. Conclusion of a German Mission at St. Mary's.

March 31, 1893. No services on Good Friday morning at St. Mary's. (The Fathers did not take up residence at St. Mary's until 1894, meanwhile Fathers Muller and Melchoirs lived at St. Joseph's).

VARIA

At Phoenix Father Burns has 8 Sist rs teaching 232 pupils in his parish grammar school.

Father Stack has 340 pupils in Dolores Grammar School at Santa Barbara. In the high school there are 55 girls. The number has been reduced by the fact that the orphans from St. Vincent's now have classes in their own building.

A marble altar for the Shrine of Our Lady of Sorrows at Santa Barbara has been donated by one of the parishioners.

Father James Malone is a busy assistant at the cathedral in San Diego.

Father Regan says three Masses each Sunday at his parish church in San Ysidro. Some 300 attend. About 60 children are in the grammar school and are taught by Mexican Sisters. There are six in the community. Father is beautifying the interior of the church with a sort of plastic paint and by a simplification of its numerous statues, and in other ways. He takes sick calls into Mexico and has Mexicans come across the line to services in his church.

Jubilarians for 1937-1938: Father James Malone will celebrate his Golden Jubilee on July 31, 1938. Father Villa celebrates his on October 8, 1938. When the list was first made out, there were five names on it, two for Diamond Jubi lees, and three for Golden Jubilees. Diamond Jubilarians: Brother Rosati (April 2), Father Woods (August 16). Golden Jubilarians: Besides the two named above, Father Colligan (August 21).

SCHOOL RETREATS

Bellarmine Prep—Fr. Whelan.
Loyola High—Fr. Vaughan.
St. Ignatius High—Fr. McCummiskey.
Loyola University—Fr. Connolly.
Univ. of Santa Clara—Fr. Crowley.
Univ. of San Francisco———————

CHINA

Father Lipman pronounced his Last Vows at Zikawei on August 15. A typhoon was in action at the time with wind and rain, big guns were booming and overhead war planes were in action.

The second year language classes could not go to Peiping, as had been planned. They are supposed to be at Zikawei. The first year language classes were also to go to Peiping; they are at Tientsin.

The seven who were delayed at Tokyo, finally reached their destination. Father Magner was late in getting to tertianship at Wuhu.

Fathers Kearney and Rouleau braved some twenty air-raids at Nanking. Then they were recalled to Shanghai to be in a safer place. One small bomb landed ten yards from the Nanking house, and another three steps away from the new foundations.

Father Simons is far from the scene of war, but the worst flood in history is melting away the villages in five feet of water. A huge lake covers the bean and sweet potato fields. Fortunately the farmers were able to reap their corn by means of boats.

DEATHS IN THE ASSISTANCY

Sept. 26, Br. Henry Wirtz, Buffalo.

DEATHS OF RELATIVES

Brother of Father Gianera.
Mother of Brother Sebasta.